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To: Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Subject:	Serial No.: 10/043,864	Filing Date: 01/10/02
	Inventor: Chen, et al.	
	Title: 'A Method and Apparatus to Estimate Burn-In Time by Measurement of Scribe-Line Devices, With Stacking Devices, And With Common Pads'	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application for patent as follows:

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patent and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231.	
Name:	<u>Stephen B. Ackermann</u>
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Date	<u>11/6/02</u>

Figs. 4 and 10b have been modified and new drawings are attached. The original drawings had drafting errors and were submitted inadvertently before correction. The new drawings reflect the correct structure of the invention as described in the specification. Approval of these changes is requested. No new matter has been added.

It is requested that should the Examiner not find that the Claims are allowable, that the undersigned be called at (845) 452-5863 to overcome any problems preventing allowance.

Respectfully Submitted,



Stephen B. Ackerman, Reg. No. 37,761

Enclosures: